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POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

- 1. The Petitioner (hereinafter "Wadsworth") was convicted of first degree murder with use of a deadly weapon and sentenced to two consecutive 20-to-50-year prison terms.
- 2. Wadsworth commenced this action on February 27, 2013, the date that he provided his pro se § 2254 Petition and accompanying documents to prison authorities for mailing to this Court. Clerk's Record (CR) 1, 6. He asked for the appointment of counsel, and on May 10, 2013, the Court appointed this office to represent him. CR 5. Counsel entered her notice of appearance on June 10, 2013. CR 8.
- 3. On July 24, 2013, counsel filed a First Amended Petition with accompanying exhibits. CR 9-17. Counsel simultaneously filed a Request for Leave and Extension of Time to file a Second Amended Petition on the same date. CR 20. That request was granted on July 26, 2013. CR 21. Wadsworth's Second Amended Petition was filed December 6, 2013. CR 26. On August 28, 2014, Respondent's filed their Motion to Dismiss. CR 34.
- 4. Counsel for Petitioner requires additional time to file the opposition to motion to dismiss, including time to consult with Mr. Wadsworth. This is the first extension of time. Counsel represents that she will continue to exercise due diligence in preparing this case and will be able to file the opposition to motion to dismiss within the time requested absent unforeseen circumstances.
- 5. This motion is not for purposes of delay but in the interests of justice and the interests of the Petitioner, Mr. Wadsworth.
- 6. On September 10, 2014, counsel for Petitioner contacted counsel for Respondents, Deputy Attorney General Jared Frost, concerning this request for an extension of time. Mr. Frost advised he is not opposed to this request for an extension.
- 7. Wadsworth respectfully requests that this Court grant this motion and order that the opposition to motion to dismiss be filed on or before September 30, 2014.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Gloria M. Navarro, Chief Judge United States District Court